



# ST. MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

*St. Mary Mission Statement:*  
To be companions with Christ  
our Savior

May 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday  
of Easter

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil -5:30pm  
Lord's Day -8:30am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Forgiveness  
(Confession)

Sat. 4-5pm or by appointment  
Sun. 8:00-8:25 am

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**Parish Office Hours:** Mon.-Thurs:  
9am-4:30pm; Fri.: 9-12:30 pm  
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Sue Schmidt – (620) 327-7455

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**Parish School of Religion**  
Mandy Casey-(620) 200-7278



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate  
to be with you always, the Spirit of truth.” - Jn 14:16-17a

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**ADORATION CHAPEL CLOSED  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**Mass Schedule This Week:**  
**Tuesday: 5:30pm; Wednesday &  
Thursday: Noon**  
**Friday: Noon in Latin**  
**Temporary Office Hours:**  
**Mon: 9am-12:00pm**  
**Thurs: 9am-4:30pm**  
**Friday: Closed**





# Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	May 19	
5:30pm	✠Fr. Steven Scheirer	
Wednesday	May 20, St. Bernardine of Siena	
Noon	✠Roger Gillispie	
Thursday	May 21, The Ascension of the Lord	
Noon	Mike Boston	
Friday	May 22, St. Rita of Cascia (Latin)	
Noon	✠ Rita Hinojos	
Saturday	May 23 (Latin)	
8:00am	✠Jim Soth	
5:30pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday	May 24, Seventh Sunday of Easter	
8:30	✠ Peggy Douglas	
10:30	✠Katherine Bruggeman	

**4:00pm SUNDAY HOLY HOUR—ONLY FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS.**

Please Pray For our HomeBound & Care Home Parishioners:

Geraldine Adkins	Mary O'Brien	Lois Silvernale
Carmen Alvarado	Sara Quinones	Virginia Schierling
Elesa Garcia	Bryan Sahlfeld	Sharon Story
Gertrude Mahoney	Norman Salmans	Ethel Wetschensky

**Stewardship Message—Empowered!  
“Fully Alive as Missionary Disciples”  
Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21  
Today, Peter has given us clear guidance in our discipleship. He warns that people who do not know Jesus will ask for a reason for your hope. At times, their questions may even feel like attacks, and cause you to become defensive. Peter says to answer them “with gentleness and reverence.” Look to Jesus as your model. Jesus did not simply understand his faith... it was His identity. He shared His faith in the way He went about His work and in how He treated others. Before you can defend your faith, you must understand it, you must embrace it, and you must let it define you. As one writer says, “Our faith must be a first-hand discovery and not a second-hand story.” Know it. Live it. Share it.

## COVID-19 SCHEDULE & INFO

We are committed to taking every precaution for our parishioners and their safety.

- Social distancing is practiced in the church.
- Hand sanitizer and masks are available in the vestibule.
- Please take and keep a missal for your family & bring with you to Mass.
- The church is cleaned & sanitized twice a week.
- There is a safety screen between parishioner and priest/extraordinary minister for distribution of communion.

**WEEKDAY MASSES ARE: TUESDAY 5:30PM; WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & \*FRIDAY AT NOON. \*FRIDAY MASS IS IN LATIN; Saturday 8am Latin Masses will resume May 23rd.**

**10:30 MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED. PLEASE CHECK [www.stmarynewton.org](http://www.stmarynewton.org) AND CLICK THE FACEBOOK LINK (even if you don't have facebook, the Mass link will pop up) CONFESSIONS ARE SATURDAY FROM 4-5PM IN THE CONFESSIONAL BEHIND THE SCREEN ONLY.**

IN THESE CHANGING TIMES, WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL TO HELP STREAMLINE THE “COUNTING” PROCESS. PLEASE CALL MARY ANN AT 316-282-0459 EXT 4 AND SHE WILL GET YOU SET UP!  
THANK YOU TO ALL AS YOU CONTINUE YOUR STEWARDSHIP BY MAILING IN YOUR ENVELOPES OR DROPPING THEM OFF.

### Our Gifts to God & Parish

**Fiscal Year: July 2019-June 2020**  
Collections for: **May 10, 2020**

*Regular collection.....	\$ 20,598.50
Children's collection.....	\$ <u>N/A</u>
	\$ 20,598.50
Other:	
* Building Fund.....	\$ 352.00
Budget per week is.....	\$ 15,186.92
* Includes 5/4 ACH payments	
Collections year-to-date compared to budget	
Through May 10, 2020.....	\$ (29,975.22)

**Your contributions are appreciated! If you are behind, please make every effort to catch up and do your part. Thank you!!**  
~Fr. Voelker

## DOCTRINAL SECTION

Before His own townspeople, in Nazareth, Christ refers to the words of the prophet Isaiah: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." These phrases, according to Luke, are His first messianic declaration. They are followed by the actions and words known through the Gospel. By these actions and words Christ makes the Father present among men. It is very significant that the people in question are especially the poor, those without means of subsistence, those deprived of their freedom, the blind who cannot see the beauty of creation, those living with broken hearts, or suffering from social injustice, and finally sinners. It is especially for these last that the Messiah becomes a particularly clear sign of God who is love, a sign of the Father. In this visible sign the people of our own time, just like the people then, can see the Father. It is significant that, when the messengers sent by John the Baptist came to Jesus to ask Him: "Are you he who is to come, or shall we look for another?", He answered by referring to the same testimony with which He had begun His teaching at Nazareth: "Go and tell John what it is that you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them." He then ended with the words: "And blessed is he who takes no offense at me". Especially through His lifestyle and through His actions, Jesus revealed that love is present in the world in which we live - an effective love, a love that addresses itself to man and embraces everything that makes up his humanity. This love makes itself particularly noticed in contact with suffering, injustice and poverty - in contact with the whole historical "human condition," which in various ways manifests man's limitation and frailty, both physical and moral. It is precisely the mode and sphere in which love manifests itself that in biblical language is called "mercy." Christ, then, reveals God who is Father, who is "love," as St. John will express it in his first letter; Christ reveals God as "rich in mercy," as we read in St. Paul. This truth is not just the subject of a teaching; it is a reality made present to us by Christ. Making the Father present as love and mercy is, in Christ's own consciousness, the fundamental touchstone of His mission as the Messiah; this is confirmed by the words that He uttered first in the synagogue at Nazareth and later in the presence of His disciples and of John the Baptist's messengers. On the basis of this way of manifesting the presence of God who is Father, love and mercy, Jesus makes mercy one of the principal themes of His preaching. As is His custom, He first teaches "in parables," since these express better the very essence of things. It is sufficient to recall the parable of the prodigal son, or the parable of the Good Samaritan, but also - by contrast - the parable of the merciless servant. There are many passages in the teaching of Christ that manifest love-mercy under some ever-fresh aspect. We need only consider the Good Shepherd who goes in search of the lost sheep, or the woman who sweeps the house in search of the lost coin. The Gospel writer who particularly treats of these themes in Christ's teaching is Luke, whose Gospel has earned the title of "the Gospel of mercy."

~St. John Paul II

## Parish Information

### Communion to the Sick

If you are unable to attend Mass due to age, illness, or are recovering from surgery, call the parish office so that Communion may be brought to you.

### Bulletin Deadline

Must be submitted in writing no later than 10am on Tue.

### Religious Education Class Times (PSR)

Grades 1st- 8th - Wednesday 6:30 - 7:40pm Mandy Casey (620) 200-7278

### Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM)

Wednesday: 7pm; Grades 9-12 Greg & Resa Davenport/Bill & Carrie Weber.

### Perpetual Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Chapel is located at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 415 S. Ash. If interested in a permanent hour call coordinator, Lettie Kruse at 727-1200 or 283-0026.

### Rosary Prayer Line

To activate, call Mickey Stump at 620-386-0421 or if she is not available call Barbara Fayette at 283-6467 to activate the line.

### Welcome/Registering

Welcome to St. Mary's Catholic Parish. Please register by calling or dropping by the parish office. Please keep us informed of changes of names, addresses, numbers, etc.

### Interested in the Catholic Faith

A warm invitation is extended to non-Catholics to attend any of our religious services. They are particularly invited to learn more about the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church. For more information, call the parish office at 316-282-0459, or Mark Frazier at 316-727-6287.

## Information About Sacraments

\*\*PLEASE CALL FR. VOELKER AT 316-282-0459 EXT. 1

### Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are required to be registered in the parish. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

### Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

In an emergency of serious illness, if sick and confined to a home, entering a hospital or local nursing home - please notify the rectory.

### Sacrament of Forgiveness (Confession)

Sat. 4:00 -5:00 p.m. Tuesday 5:00-5:20 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00-8:25 a.m. Any time by appointment.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples intending to enter into Christian Marriage are asked to call the parish office for an appointment. The first appointment must be scheduled at least nine months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

## St. Mary Cemetery Memorial Day

### Activity Schedule Week of May 17-25th

- May 19, 2020 Fill and level fresh grave sites—10am  
May 21, 2020 Locate flag pole sleeves—10:00am  
May 23, 2020 Put flag poles and ropes up—9am  
May 23, 24<sup>th</sup> Last Mow & Trim before May 25.

### May 25-Memorial Day Mass at 9:00 A.M.

Flags Up at 6:00 A.M. Flags Down at 6:00 P.M.

Thank you to all for helping with these cemetery preparations.

Call, text, or e-mail Carrol Langenhorst for more information.

Cell 316-727-3025

clangenhorst@cox.net

Readings for the week of May 17, 2020

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 [13]/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

## New to the Parish?

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish, we are pleased to have you join us in worship. If you would like to join the parish please complete the information below and return it to us in the collection basket, or by mail. We will send you registration information or you may come by the parish office and register.

Welcome and God Bless!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Liturgical Role

**Altar Servers** (two servers, no cross bearer)

Sat. 05/23 5:30pm Allison Weber, Leah Littlejohn

Sun. 05/24 8:30am Aedan & Emmet O'Halloran

Sun. 05/24 10:30am Andrew & Wilson Eustace \*Eli

**Greeters & Gift Bearers** Suspended until further notice.

**Cantor/Accompanist**

Sun. 05/24 10:30am Steve Herdler

**Lector**

Sat. 05/23 5:30pm Lisa Littlejohn

Sun. 05/24 8:30am Leigh Ann O'Halloran

Sun. 05/24 10:30am Philip Blaufuss

**Sacristans**

Weekday May 19-23— Kathleen Morris

Sat. 05/23 5:30pm TBD

Sun. 05/24 8:30am Paula Blann

Sun. 05/24 10:30am TBD

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Sat. 05/23 5:30pm TBD

Sun. 05/24 8:30am Sue Schmidt

Sun. 05/24 10:30am Steven Rusche

**Nursing Homes:** —suspended until further notice.

**EMHC-Hospital**—Suspended until further notice

**Ushers**

Sat. 05/23 5:30pm Mike Weber, Dennis Alexander,  
Shane Bollinger

Sun. 05/24 8:30am TBD

Sun. 05/24 10:30am James & Amber Cox

**Church Cleaners May**— Kathy & Alan Pitts, Sharon Harrison

## ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Mary Catholic School is now enrolling for the 2020-21 school year. We are enrolling for PreK3 through Eighth Grade. We have openings in our Preschool which meet throughout the school year at the following days and times: PreK3 meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00-11:00 AM. PreK4 meets Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays from 8:00-11:00 AM. We also have openings in our Kindergarten through Eighth Grade. Please contact Mrs. Kim in our school office for enrollment information at 316-282-1974. Raffle tickets are still available for purchase until May 16. Please call the school office at 316-282-1974.

## Midwest Catholic Family Conference

It is with a heavy heart that we must announce that the 21st Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference that was scheduled to be held August 7-9, 2020 in Wichita, Kansas is cancelled.

Our advertiser of the week is

**P. & B. Trucking**

*Kathy Wiens, General Manager*

Please check their ad in the back of the bulletin.

